

2006



Sugar Land

A City Focused on its Goals

Sugar Land remains one of the fastest growing cities in Texas, with a January 2006 population projection of 75,173. With development within our current City limits and annexation, our projected ultimate population is approximately 200,000. Through comprehensive planning for parks and recreation, facilities, drainage, water resources and public safety, the City is committed to retaining an excellent quality of life for our current residents.

How do we know we're on the right track? According to the past year's citizen satisfaction survey, 93 percent of residents are pleased with their quality of life, and 91 percent believe Sugar Land is a well-planned community. We also heard it from others.

Sugar Land's management and many City programs were honored during the past year with local, state and national awards. This recognition spotlights City Council's goals for Sugar Land and City management's leadership in achieving them. These honors also send a positive message to Sugar Land residents, as well as businesses and leaders nationwide, about the high quality of services that are delivered to our community.

Strong fiscal management allows the City to provide excellent services at the best value to the community. Sugar Land is consistently rated by the Texas Municipal League as having one of the lowest tax rates and water/wastewater rates among participating cities. International bond rating agencies continue to affirm our strengths through outstanding credit ratings: Aa3 from Moody's Investor Service, AA- from Standard and Poors and AA from Fitch Ratings.

The next several pages recap our recent successes toward achieving City Council goals:

- Well-Planned Community
- Safest City in Area
- Strong Local Economy
- Responsible City Government
- Mobility for People
- Livable Neighborhoods



Sugar Land's National and Regional Awards

100 Best Places to Live (top 50 on list)
CNN/Money - Money Magazine

100 Best Communities for Young People
America's Promise Alliance

Allen Bogard, Texas Administrator of the Year
Texas City Management Association

Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for Fiscal Year 2004-2005, the twenty-first consecutive year
The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada

City Hall/Town Square Landmark Award for Best Community Impact
Houston Business Journal

Development in Context Award for Town Square
American Planning Association's Houston chapter

Distinguished Budget Presentation Award, the ninth consecutive year
The Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada

Sugar Land also received honors for several communication tools, including its E-News report, the city manager's City Hall dedication speech, economic development marketing literature, the employee Intranet named SLIC and its community newsletter, Sugar Land Today.

Sugar Land operates under a council-manager form of government. City Council sets broad goals and policy and performs a legislative role. The City Manager is the chief executive officer, implements policy and goals and runs City operations assisted by all City employees. Shown from left to right: Dennis Parmer, Single Member District One; Michael Schiff, Single Member District Four; Daniel Wong, At Large Position Two; David Wallace, Mayor; Allen Bogard, City Manager; Cyril Hosley, Single Member District Two and Mayor Pro Tem; Russell Jones, Single Member District Three; and Thomas Abraham, At Large Position One.

Well-Planned

Community

with Livable Neighborhoods

What earns Sugar Land a place among the nation's top 50 places to live? Comprehensive planning for growth and economic development helps maintain our vibrant community.

- Development activity in Sugar Land continues to bring mixed-use and master-planned projects, retail shops, residential areas and restaurants. Lake Pointe (on the Fluor property bordering U.S. 59 and State Highway 6) and Telfair (just east of New Territory, south of State Highway 6 and north and south of U.S. 59) are under construction. Expansion also is taking place at First Colony Mall, Sugar Land Town Square and Sugar Land Town Center. In 2005, Sugar Land added 26 retail establishments (including medical, office, banks, restaurants and shops) totaling 263,848 square feet. This commercial growth keeps residential property taxes low.
- Sugar Land recently changed its approach to annexing undeveloped land, allowing the City to be proactive in addressing development standards and service issues. Two areas affected by new City Council policy are Telfair and Tract 3 (between Voss Road, State Highway 6, Burney Road and U.S. 90A).
- The City began discussions with communities in its extraterritorial jurisdiction to set the timetable for their anticipated annexation. The first municipal utility district annexation since 1997 took place Dec. 1 with the annexation of MUD 113 (Avalon and Brazos Landing).
- Some of Sugar Land's more mature neighborhoods benefited from Federal Community Development Block Grants of \$388,000 that helped fund capital projects and housing repairs for moderate-income residents. These funds were combined with the City's capital improvement funds for reconstruction of Avenues G and H in Mayfield Park.
- The average 2005 housing value in Sugar Land is \$208,605, a 33 percent increase since 1999.
- In July, City Council approved the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan, which proposes a 420-acre Brazos River parkland near the University of Houston facility. The past fiscal year also saw significant park improvements such as those at Oyster Creek Park, Eldridge Park and the Imperial Park softball facility.

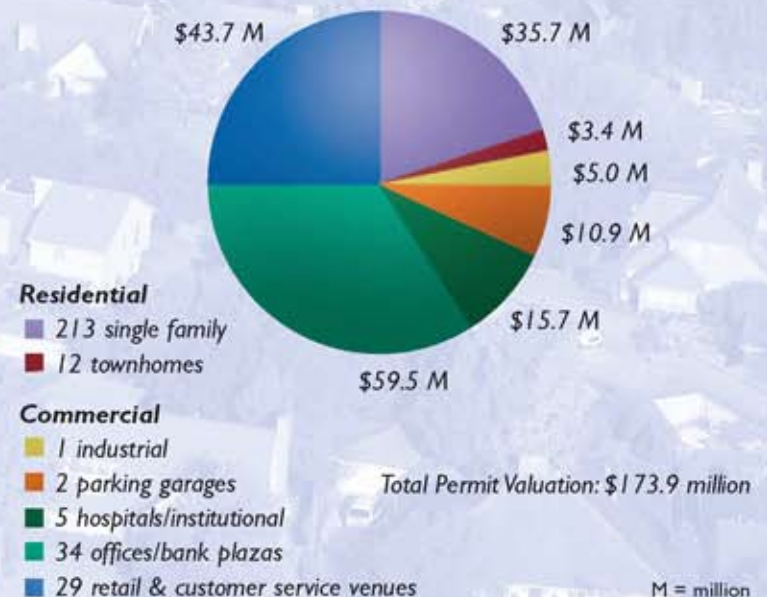


Comprehensive planning for residential and business growth ensures well-planned developments and protects the integrity of neighborhoods.

Adding Value to Our City

Permit Applications

Oct. 2004-Sept. 2005



Responsible

City Government with a Strong Economy

For many in Sugar Land, the dedication of our new City Hall in January 2005 topped the year's list of highlights. City Hall's location in Sugar Land Town Square brings a sense of community to Sugar Land's new downtown. Sugar Land's long-range fiscal management helped bring the building in on time and within budget. This fiscal stewardship in tandem with a far-sighted vision of a new downtown earned Sugar Land two awards (see "Sugar Land: A City Focused on its Goals").

The City's award-winning budget process lays the groundwork for community-oriented and economic successes. Each year, the budget funds core services plus enhancements that meet City and community goals, funds unfunded mandates and meets all reserve and bond coverage requirements. City funds are enhanced with available federal and state funding for public safety, mobility and economic development projects.

Last year, more than 65 events in Town Square plaza brought not only entertainment but the added benefit of sales tax revenues. The City's strong economy provided \$31.56 million in sales tax revenues that help keep property taxes low. Last year, economic development efforts resulted in more than 18 projects, which are anticipated to create over \$55 million in new capital invested and nearly 800 jobs.

Other successes due to Sugar Land's emphasis on being a responsible City government included:

- Comprehensive planning efforts continued last year to set the stage for wise use of resources as the City grows to its ultimate size.
- Infrastructure improvements and upgrades – known as capital improvements – are funded wisely, and more than one-third are accomplished on a pay-as-you-go basis. More than \$25 million was appropriated in FY 04-05 for improving roadways, drainage, parks, traffic flow and the utilities system.
- More than \$1.6 million in drainage projects included annual storm sewer reconstruction in various areas including Brookside/Belknap, widening of Ditch H and Brooks Lake Diversion and updating the Drainage Master Plan.
- To assist corporate tenants who conduct business globally, U.S. Customs and Border Protection began operating at Sugar Land Regional Airport in May. The airport has received \$28.8 million in grant funds for \$38 million in infrastructure improvements taking place over three years. The new 20,000-square-foot terminal should be completed in spring 2006. The airport continues to be a self-sufficient economic asset and is committed to being a good neighbor to surrounding residents and the overall community.

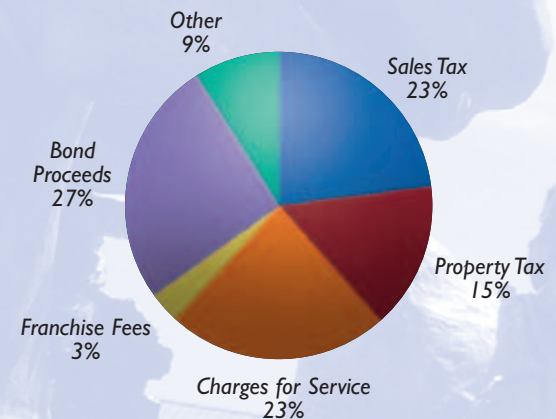
- Last September, City Council approved a decrease in the tax rate from 32.568 cents per \$100 valuation to 31.711 cents for 2005. The City's tax rate has lowered 36.57 percent since 1993.
- Residential property tax exemptions for seniors and disabled persons were increased to \$67,727.

Looking Ahead:

Where Does the Money Come From?

Oct. 2005-Sept. 2006

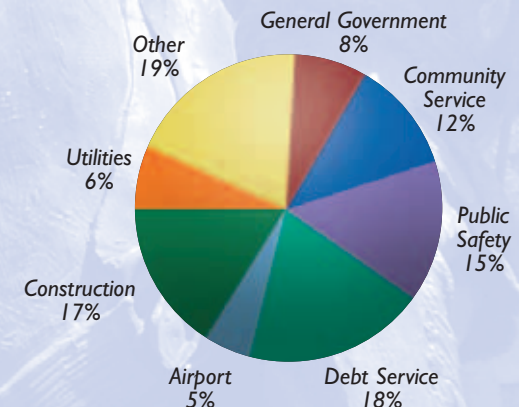
Major revenue sources total: \$131.7 million



Where Does the Money Go?

Oct. 2005-Sept. 2006

Major uses total: \$136.03 million



Note: Major uses exceed major revenue sources by \$4.33 million, reflecting the City's use of cash on hand.

Safest City

in the Area

Successful emergency operations activated during Hurricane Rita are testimony to Sugar Land's diligent emergency preparedness efforts that have been aided by more than \$1.6 million from Homeland Security and state grants. Several hundred City employees assisted in traffic evacuation and control, charter flights at Sugar Land Regional Airport, fallen tree removal, 9-1-1 call responses, establishment of a shelter for essential employees and related operations. Sugar Land also provided citizen communication through an emergency hotline, a staffed phone bank, the City's Web site and SLtv16.

Our extensive program of disaster response includes other initiatives:

- Police and firefighters are now tied into a region-wide, compatible radio system allowing them to effectively communicate on the same radio frequency with about 450 participating entities in a 13-county region.
- A fully equipped hazardous materials vehicle is based at Sugar Land Fire Station 5 and staffed by our firefighters who are trained and certified HAZMAT technicians. This initiative is also supported by Missouri City, Stafford and Fort Bend County.
- Nine police officers are being hired to supplement all four City police beats. Officers are being assigned to the newly created Special Enforcement District encompassing the Town Center area, First Colony Mall, AMC Theatres and Sugar Land Methodist Hospital.

Additional Fire and Police Department accomplishments include:

- A comparison of crime statistics for 2003 and 2004 shows that, while the population of Sugar Land grew by 3,000, major crimes decreased in 2004, and the rate of solved crimes increased. Sugar Land's crime rate for Part I crimes per 1,000 population measured 27 in 2004, down from 27.2 in 2003 and 28.1 in 2002. Part I crimes are homicide, sexual assault, aggravated assault, robbery, burglary, theft and auto theft.
- Citizens responding to the 2004 satisfaction survey said they feel safe in Sugar Land. All areas rated – neighborhoods and shopping areas day and night and parks – received "safe" and "very safe" ratings.
- The Fire Department successfully improved the City's public protection rating from the Insurance Services Office, Inc., which potentially offers residential and commercial policyholders lower fire insurance premiums. The rating was lowered from 3 to 2, with 1 being the lowest.
- The Police Department retained its standing in the top one percent of departments nationally to earn reaccreditation through the Commission for Accreditation of Law Enforcement Agencies, a highly prized recognition of law enforcement professional excellence.



Protecting Our Community:

Calls for Service
Oct. 2004-Sept. 2005

54,216	for police
5,894	for fire
60,110	Total Calls

- Police and Fire Departments' 277 employees make up 50 percent of the City's workforce.
- Both are staffed 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.



Mobility

for People

Although construction projects can be challenging to motorists, Sugar Land is committed to enhancing mobility through improvements to our existing roadways. Funding for several crucial projects was secured, and the City's working relationship with the Texas Department of Transportation has resulted in safer, cost-effective roadways and continued highway construction projects on U.S. 59, State Highway 6 and U.S. 90A.

Other mobility enhancements from October 2004 to September 2005 included the following:

- The extension of University Boulevard from Commonwealth Boulevard to U.S. 59 was completed, providing another point of access to U.S. 59.
- The extension of Gillingham Lane, from Seventh Street to Jess Pirtle Boulevard, was completed with participation from local developers.
- Incandescent light bulbs were replaced with light emitting diodes at all traffic signals (except U.S. 90A, which will be upgraded as part of Texas Department of Transportation's U.S. 90A Expansion). LEDs improve traffic signal visibility for motorists.
- Other improvements include a traffic signal at Sweetwater Boulevard and Alcorn Oaks Drive and a left turn lane on Town Center Boulevard North at State Highway 6.
- Improvements to turn lanes were made at various intersections around the City.

Other programs also help Sugar Land residents:

- The Traffic Management Center allows remote management of 67 traffic signals. TMC staff use low-resolution traffic cameras to manage congestion and public safety incidents along the City's busiest corridors.
- Sugar Land is evaluating intersections along City roadways identified as top collision locations and is working with the Houston-Galveston Area Council to perform a safety study of another set of intersections. The cost of the \$70,000 study will be shared equally between the City and H-GAC.
- Along with two park-and-ride stops for TREK Express located in Sugar Land, the City has budgeted \$70,000 in 2005 for this commuter bus service to Greenway Plaza.
- Each year, Sugar Land inspects its 367 miles of sidewalks. In 2005, 3,715 square yards of sidewalk were repaired.



Above: Improved mobility moves us forward as a community, expanding residential, shopping, medical, cultural and educational options. Below: Oyster Creek Park provides three miles of hike-and-bike trails for residents to enjoy.



How Do We Meet Our Goals?

By Connecting Citizens with Their Community

One way Sugar Land reaches its goals is through the support of its residents. We value our residents' trust in their City government and know that their participation in elections, City programs and citizen opportunities are essential to our continued positive growth and prosperity.

Hurricane Katrina and its flood aftermath gave the City a chance to work hand-in-hand with residents to help the storm evacuees. The community opened its homes and hearts to displaced families that arrived in Fort Bend County. Red Cross and private shelters were established, and food and clothing donation drives were organized.

When our community saw a greater need for Hurricane Katrina evacuee services, Mayor David Wallace and City officials worked with residents and faith-based, corporate, medical, educational and other nonprofit organizations to create the Fort Bend Hurricane Resource Center at the former Sugar Land City Hall. The center provided medical care and information on employment, daycare, food/clothing, education, housing, transportation and senior services. About 75 trained professionals and resident volunteers helped an average of 500 evacuees each day.

Throughout the year, residents make the connection with City Council, City staff and other residents through several innovative programs.

- Classes include Sugar Land 101, the Citizens Police Academy and the Citizens Fire Academy, which began in 2005.
- Council members hosted District Town Hall meetings in the fall where residents learned about issues important to their district and to the City and asked questions of particular importance to them.
- The quarterly Neighborhood Home Owner Association meetings gave those attending further updates on City programs and activities.
- National Night Out, held each August, allows residents to get out and meet their neighbors, City officials and public safety personnel.
- City communication tools continue to grow. E-News, SLtv16, www.sugarlandtx.gov and *Sugar Land Today* give residents news updates, descriptions of City services and much more.

Need to connect with the City but don't know where or who to call? Last year the Community Action Center logged 16,000 calls from residents with inquiries, requests or concerns.

- Call 281-ASK-CITY (281-275-2489)
- E-mail askcity@sugarlandtx.gov
- Visit www.sugarlandtx.gov and click on "Ask City"
- Visit City Hall at 2700 Town Center Boulevard North, Mon.- Fri., 8 a.m. - 5p.m.



Above: Hurricane Katrina brought residents and City officials together to help evacuees. One result was the Fort Bend Hurricane Resource Center housed in the former City Hall on Corporate Drive. Below: Throughout the year, Sugar Land provides learning opportunities such as Sugar Land 101. According to one SL 101 graduate, "With a clearer understanding of what is involved in providing us with the quality of life we so dearly appreciate, I have a responsibility to share my knowledge with others."





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A scenic view of a river flowing over rocks, with the word "January" written in a large, elegant script across the bottom. The background is a deep blue, and the text is in a light, golden-yellow color.

Fireworks lit up the sky one year ago during the dedication of Sugar Land’s fourth and final City Hall at Town Square. The building is a result of a public-private partnership, with the developer donating the land and the City funding construction. Comprehensive planning efforts allow the City to influence quality of growth. And we’re successful: a *Houston Business Journal* Landmark Award for “Best Community Impact” was given to the City Hall/Town Square plaza project for creating a “heart” of the community. More than 65 community events were held here during its first year.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 New Year's Day	2 City offices closed Regular solid waste collection	3 City Council FBISD school begins	4 Curbside Christmas tree pickup	5	6	7 Christmas Tree Mulch Day Curbside Christmas tree pickup
8	9	10 Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting Eid-al-Adha begins	11	12 Citizens Police Academy begins	13	14
15	16 Martin Luther King Jr. Day City offices closed Regular solid waste collection FBISD holiday	17 City Council	18 AARP Safe Driving	19 HOA representative meeting	20	21
22	23 AARP 55 Alive	24 City Council	25 Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting	26	27	28 Green Thumb Tree Care class
29 Chinese New Year Vietnamese New Year	30 Candidate packets available for City elections	31 Islamic New Year	NOTES			



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February 2006

Sugar Land continues to partner with local, state and federal agencies to ensure the implementation of key mobility projects. Examples include the U.S. 59 expansion to the Grand Parkway, U.S. 90A through the City and State Highway 6 from Brooks Street to north of U.S. 90A. These projects are part of a 12-year initiative; the combination of city, county, state and federal funding for transportation and traffic projects in Sugar Land to date totals almost \$500 million dollars. University of Houston System at Sugar Land's location along U.S 59 allows residents to further their education close to home.

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				Sugar Land 101 begins Citizens Fire Academy begins	FBISD student holiday	
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		City Council			Daddy-Daughter Date Night	Mommy-Son Date Night
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	First day to file for place on City ballot	Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting St.Valentine's Day		FBISD parent conference		
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	President's Day Regular solid waste collection	City Council		Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting		
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March 2006

Imperial Park – part of Sugar Land’s 20-year Parks and Recreation Open Space Master Plan – contributes to a well-planned community. The second phase of the 44-acre sports facility was completed last spring and now includes expanded parking, meeting rooms, nine softball fields, batting cages, a concession stand, a playground and picnic areas. The park is an important part of the City’s economic development program, attracting lucrative regional and state tournaments that fill hotel rooms and contribute sales tax revenue to the City.

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	FBISD Spring Break					
	Last day to file for place on City ballot	First day to apply for ballot by mail Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting			St. Patrick's Day	
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	First day of Spring	City Council		Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting		Don't Mess with Texas Trash-off
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April 2006

Sugar Land has had many economic development successes, from the City’s \$200 million award-winning Town Square complex to numerous office, commercial and light industrial projects either planned or underway. The City offers a low tax structure, community infrastructure, unsurpassed quality of life, available labor force and business incentives. The Grand Wine & Food Affair, masterminded by the Fort Bend Chamber of Commerce, showcases Sugar Land as a vibrant community.

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			AARP Safe Driving			
Easter Sunday		City Council		Senior Spring Fling HOA representative meeting Vermicomposting workshop		Earth Day Electronics Recycling
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Concert in the Park			Grand Wine & Food Affair			
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Concert in the Park	FBISD student holiday	City Council	Administrative Professionals Day	Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting		



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May 2006

A variety of recreational and cultural offerings appeal to Sugar Land’s diverse population and strengthen its reputation as a community of choice. Activities offered throughout the year include the popular Concert in the Park series. These free performances provide wholesome family entertainment and complement other recreation program activities for seniors and the many leisure classes attended by approximately 2,500 residents annually.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 <i>First day of Early Voting Municipal Pool swim lessons registration begins</i>	2 <i>City Council</i>	3 <i>H2O Expo</i>	4	5 <i>Last day to apply for ballot by mail</i>	6 <i>Weekend Early Voting 7 a.m.- 7 p.m.</i>
7 <i>Weekend Early Voting 1- 5 p.m. Concert in the Park</i>	8	9 <i>Last day of Early Voting Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting</i>	10	11	12	13 <i>General Election 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.</i>
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National Police Week						
<i>Concert in the Park Mother's Day</i>		<i>City Council</i>				<i>Municipal Pool open today</i>
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<i>Municipal Pool open today Concert in the Park</i>	AARP 55 Alive			<i>Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting FBISD last day of school</i>		
		<i>City Council</i>				<i>Municipal Pool open today</i>
28	29	30	31	NOTES		
<i>Municipal Pool open today Concert in the Park</i>	<i>Memorial Day City offices closed Regular solid waste collection</i>	<i>Municipal Pool closed</i>	<i>Municipal Pool open for summer</i>			



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June 2006

Sugar Land’s livable neighborhoods and well-planned community helped the City earn its ranking in the top 50 of the nation’s best places to live from CNN/Money and Money Magazine. As the City continues to expand to its ultimate population of approximately 200,000, comprehensive planning will ensure prudent growth management. Land use, parks and open space, City facilities, drainage, water availability and annexation are among the City’s planning efforts that ensure effective delivery of services to current and future residents.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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	Summer Camp Week 1	City Council Municipal Pool Swim Lessons - Session I begins	AARP Safe Driving			
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	Summer Camp Week 2	Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting	Flag Day	Senior Boogie Bash		
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Father's Day	Summer Camp Week 3	City Council Municipal Pool Swim Lessons - Session II begins	First day of Summer	Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting		
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	Summer Camp Week 4	City Council				



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July 2006

The City's 896 acres of dedicated parklands include green space and sports space and plenty of room for communitywide fun. Sugar Land's annual Red, White and Bluefest, a collaboration of the City and First Colony Community Association, offers an old-fashioned Independence Day celebration. The entire family enjoys daylong festivities including the Freedom 5K Run/Walk, a patriotic pet parade, games, food and live music. The fun-filled day and dramatic fireworks at sunset attract more than 50,000 to Oyster Creek and Lost Creek Parks.

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	Summer Camp Week 5	Independence Day Red, White and Bluefest City offices closed No solid waste collection	City Council Tuesday's solid waste collection			
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	Summer Camp Week 6	Planning & Zoning Commission Municipal Pool Swim Lessons - Session III begins				
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	Summer Camp Week 7	City Council		HOA representative meeting		
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	Summer Camp Week 8					
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	Summer Camp Week 9 Senior Sock Hop	City Council Municipal Pool Swim Lessons - Session IV begins		Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting		



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August 2006

Sugar Land Police join hands with the community to keep it one of the safest cities in the area. Four separate police beats and a Special Enforcement District give accountability to each beat’s team of detectives and patrol, traffic and crime prevention officers. The annual National Night Out brings residents together with police officers, firefighters and City officials. This successful event lets neighbors meet neighbors, get answers to safety concerns and learn about crime prevention programs. More than 130 NNO gatherings were held in Sugar Land last year.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOTES		1 City Council National Night Out	2	3	4	5
6	7 Summer Camp Week 10	8 Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting	9	10	11 Last day of Summer Camp	12
13	14 AARP 55 Alive	15 Municipal Pool closed	16	17	18	19 Municipal Pool open today
20	21	22 City Council	23	24 Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting	25	26 Municipal Pool open today
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September 2006

Seeking collaborations that enhance the community, the Sugar Land Fire Department teams with First Colony Community Association to sponsor the Fired-Up 5K event that benefits Fire’s national charity, the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Thanks to the department’s initiative to improve the City’s public protection classification, residents and commercial customers may see a savings in their fire insurance rates. The improved Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating reflects the department’s efforts to expand and improve equipment over the last 10 years to include new fire stations and the training offered each firefighter.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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					National Preparedness Month	Municipal Pool open today
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Municipal Pool open today	Labor Day Fired-Up 5K City offices closed Regular solid waste collection Municipal Pool open today	City Council Municipal Pool closed for season	AARP Safe Driving			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		City Council			Rosh Hashanah begins First day of Autumn	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Ramadan begins		City Council		Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting		



SEPTEMBER

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October 2006

In 2006, nearly \$28.7 million will be spent on capital improvements projects for water, wastewater, drainage, parks, streets, sidewalks, facilities and other infrastructure. Sugar Land's current and future public health and safety and economic well-being depend on the intelligent use of capital improvement funds to meet community needs, service levels and growth. Sugar Land Regional Airport is improving its ability to serve its corporate customers. It is in the midst of a three-year, \$38-million infrastructure improvement program, 90 percent of which is funded through federal aviation block grants.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Yom Kippur begins		City Council				Crime Prevention Fair
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Fire Prevention Week						
	Columbus Day	Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting				
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		City Council		HOA representative meeting		Diwali
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
		City Council Eid-al-Fitr		Planning & Zoning Commission Youth Sports Association meeting		Boo Bash
29	30	31	NOTES			
Daylight Saving Time ends (set clocks back one hour)		Halloween Senior Monster Mash				



OCTOBER

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November 2006

Part of Sugar Land's success is due to its strong fiscal management, which was one of the factors that earned us national budget and financial reporting awards. These achievements are possible because of the financial policy set in place by City Council. Our financial performance has also been acknowledged with high bond ratings. The City's economic development efforts make it home to over 700 shopping, dining and entertainment options with expansion taking place in Telfair, Lake Pointe and elsewhere throughout the City.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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		City Council				Veteran's Day
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	AARP 55 Alive					
		Planning & Zoning Commission Parks Board meeting				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		City Council		Thanksgiving Day City offices closed No solid waste collection	City offices closed Thursday's solid waste collection	Friday's solid waste collection
26	27	28	29	30	NOTES	
		City Council				



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December 2006

A Christmas Tree Lighting event on the steps of City Hall attracts thousands of children and the young at heart. Sugar Land appreciates citizen participation and input to City personnel and City Council, which can positively affect policy. Our partnerships with Town Square retailers spearhead fun activities throughout the year. Several innovative programs offer new and expanded opportunities for communication between the City and residents, such as Sugar Land 101 and District Town Hall meetings. We call this connectivity. Make the Community Action Center your first stop for questions and comments about City services and more. Call 281-ASK-CITY (281-275-2489).

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
NOTES					1	2
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Advent begins		City Council		Christmas Tree Lighting		
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
		Planning & Zoning Commission	Share Your Holiday Food Drive	Senior Holiday Gala		Hanukkah begins
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		City Council		First day of Winter		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
31	Christmas Day City offices closed No solid waste collection	Monday's solid waste collection	Curbside Christmas tree pickup Tuesday's solid waste collection			
Eid al-Adha begins						



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Police, Fire or Medical Emergency	911
Water/Wastewater Emergency	281-275-2450
Traffic Signal Reporting (emergency)	281-275-2525
Emergency Information (recorded message)	281-494-HELP
	281-494-4357

AIRPORT (Sugar Land Regional)	281-275-2400
12888 Highway 6 South	Toll Free 1-866-1 FLY SGR

CITY HALL , 2700 Town Center Blvd. North	281-275-2700
Assistant City Managers	281-275-2344
City Council	281-275-2707
City Manager	281-275-2710
City Secretary	281-275-2730
City Attorney	281-275-2715
Code Enforcement	281-275-2270
Economic Development	281-275-2229
Engineering	281-275-2780
Health Services	281-275-2270
Highway Hotline	281-276-9959
Human Resources	281-275-2735
Job Hotline	281-275-2796
Mayor	281-275-2714
Permits and Inspections	281-275-2270
Planning and Zoning	281-275-2218
Property Tax	281-275-2750
Water Billing	281-275-2750

FIRE ADMINISTRATION , 200 Matlage Way	281-491-0852
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MUNICIPAL COURT , 1200 Highway 6 South	
English	281-275-2601
Spanish	281-275-2602

PARKS and RECREATION , 200 Matlage Way	281-275-2885
Facilities Reservations	281-275-2888

POLICE DEPARTMENT , 1200 Highway 6 South	
Police Department (8 a.m.-5 p.m. non-emergency)	281-275-2500
(after hours non-emergency)	281-275-2525
Animal Control	281-275-2596
Community Services/Crime Prevention	281-275-2580

PUBLIC WORKS AND UTILITIES , 111 Gillingham	281-275-2450
Capital Improvement Program	281-275-2450
Traffic Operations (non-emergency)	281-275-2450
Trash Pick-up and Recycling	281-275-2450

COMMUNITY ACTION CENTER

For information about City services and programs, contact:
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281-275-2721 fax
askcity@sugarlandtx.gov

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On the Cover

Stephen F. Austin's pioneering spirit watches over growth and cultural and educational events in Sugar Land Town Square. Across the City, economic vitality provides residents with shopping and dining options and keeps residential property taxes low.